It's Sunday morning, it's 9:45 and you are listening to WUJC , 88.7 FM and that can mean only one thing. It's time once again for the English language portion of the Lithuanian Voice Radio Program. Good morning on this the 23th day of July, 1995. A special good morning and welcome to the Knights of Lithuania and their families.

First, let's take a look at what's happening in the Lithuanian community here in Northeast Ohio:

Father Gediminas Kijauskas sends greetings to all in the Cleveland area from the Jesuit retreat house in Villa St. Michael, Quebec, Canada.

Congratulations to Zenonas Ducmanas, who has been elected chairman of the board of directors of Lithuanian Village, Inc, which owns and operates the Lithuanian Club on East 185th Street.

Today at 12 noon, the Lithuanian Pensininku klubo will hold their annual geguzine or picnic at the Lithuanian Club.

The Cleveland Photographic Society is holding a series of seminars in the near future; for more information, call Jim Kunkel at 843-7118 or Nancy Burns at 729-3314.

As a service to our English speaking listeners, we present this summary of the week's news stories from Lithuania read in English. Our news comes to us from the Open Media Research Institute by way of the Internet and from the ELTA news service courtesy of the Lithuanian Embassy in Washington, D.C. Internet access is graciously provided by John Carroll University Computer Network Services.

LITHUANIA DEFENDS EXECUTION. Although the 12 July execution of Lithuanian crime boss Boris Dekanidze was criticized by Amnesty International, Lithuanian government spokesman Vilius Kavaliauskas defended the execution saying that that while capital punishment was not exemplary of good democracy, its abolition was not on the agenda. He added that the death penalty was considered a good weapon against organized crime. -- Ustina Markus, OMRI, Inc.